

Evidentiary Document No. 5457

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S Y N O P S I S

HAINAN ISLAND.

a) Prosecution document numbered 5335, the Affidavit of Dr. W. AITKEN, is now offered for identification, the marked excerpts being produced in evidence. This Affidavit states that in November, 1942, 263 officers and men P/W arrived in Hainan. The accommodation for the draft which consisted of sick, weak and aged men, was appalling. Huts were infested with vermin. Sanitary arrangements were primitive and since the camp was situated near a drainage swamp, mosquitoes were ubiquitous. Food was generally inadequate and sometimes grossly insufficient.

Between November, 1942 and August, 1945, there were 2,430 admissions to hospital. There were 60 deaths due to disease.

Sick men were forced to go on working parties, where the work was heavy. Men were frequently beaten.

A complaint to the Camp Commandant regarding the reduction of food resulted in the witness and another officer being beaten. Requests to the Japanese M.O. to supply drugs and for improved diet were ignored. Deaths were sometimes shown on death certificates as due to starvation. The M.O.'s reply was that if the witness continued to show death as due to starvation, he would show the prisoners what death from starvation really meant.

b) Prosecution document numbered 5264A, the Affidavit of Major I. F. MACRAL, is produced for identification, and the marked excerpts therein now offered in evidence. The document states that in November, 1942, the witness arrived in Hainan with a draft of men. He confirms the conditions described in the preceding document No. 5335. The men were engaged on building works for the use of the Japanese Army, and were beaten and kicked while so doing.

Many men went to work barefoot, owing to lack of footwear.

In Haisho there were many coolies working. They were starved and emaciated in appearance. The witness saw the dead bodies of coolies dragged out of the hospital, when he passed by; sometimes as many as ten to twelve.

For breaches of discipline, coolies were brought to the P/W Camp where they were flogged and given the water torture.

In July, 1943, about 120 Chinese were bayoneted to death outside the Camp.

c) Prosecution document numbered 5250, the Affidavit of A. F. WINSOR, is now introduced for identification, the marked excerpts thereof being offered in evidence. The document states that about 120 Chinese were bayoneted to death in 1943, because narcotics had been illegally brought into a coolie camp and these men chosen at random were executed as a warning for the future.

d) prosecution document numbered 5251, the Affidavit of MAJOR R.G. TURNER, is produced for identification, the marked excerpts thereof being introduced in evidence. This Affidavit exhibits 29 official photographs taken by an Allied officer of prisoners of war recovered at Hainan Island in August, 1945. These exhibits are now tendered in evidence.

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證據書類第五四五七号

證據概要

海南島

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(a) 檢察書類第五三五号 W. E. I. G. / A. T. E. / 医師宣誓口  
供書旨検証上に今ヨリ提出致シズ。ソ印シテ箇所検査ノ証  
據上作成セキモノアリス。ラ宣誓口供書ハ昭和十九年一月二十六日、將校及兵卒伴隨ガ海南島ニ到着ニ  
テ事ヲ述べテ居テ。病人弱者及老人令ハ選擇隊ニ對し待遇  
ハ善也。キモテニラ。但屋ハ畜糞廐ト害虫ガ多シテサニタ。衛  
生設備ハ原始的。收容所が排水溝ニ近カリ。為蚊が所嫌公衆衛生ハ  
アリ居テ。食物ハ般不十分。時々甚少也。不足シテシタ。  
是年昭和十七年十月ト元四年昭和二十年八月上間病院ニ  
二四三。人入院者ガアリコニタ。ソニテ病氣者六人死者ガ有テ。  
病人ハ常傷、列シイ作業隊ニ整理ニシカセラシコニタ。  
彼等ハ度々殴打サリコニタ。食物削減ニ因シテ收容所長ニ  
不平申ニ立下ルトイシモ證人食ビ他將校が殴打サルトイフ結果ニ終ル。日本軍医は之を禁給。食事改善、  
要求。無視サリコニタ。死七者ハ時々死七証明書ニ飢餓  
為上証明セコニタ。軍医は答。若才前が飢餓ヨリ死  
亡上証明ヲ續ケテ行ラバ才前公伴隨ニ飢死トヘンモノカ實  
地ニ放ヘニヤレト云フ。テシタ。

(b) 檢察書類第五三六号 A. F. G. / M. C. R. A. E. / 少佐宣誓口  
供書旨検証上に提出致シズ。ソ印シテ箇所検査ノ証據上  
ニ今ヨリ提出致シズ。元四年昭和二十年十一月該證人選擇隊合共海南島

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主事加筆(中略)。前文書類中三三五号、中「書」の本體、  
「主事」の如きは、主導権者、人、日本陸軍が使用するものと見  
る能性を有する。中「主事」の如きは「隊」、「隊」、「主事」  
の如き。

是より、今號「主事」は、隊足下御手行セシフ。

八月廿二日/廿四日〇/、主事、吉野小助、甲子年〇/。候等  
八食主食酒之様方有致ハシキセシフ。

證人、内定、側道當時、吉野、足休ノ病院、外へ來キテリ出立  
事無事見セシム。時八〇廿十日午後、事キニシテシ。

経緯、違犯事件ハ、皆、吉野、宿院、收容所、連行、主事、  
相手、一ノ木保、大橋同、外洋に送シ。

九月廿日/廿四日〇/、約百年人、友那人、久留  
村外、腰劍ヲ刺セシム。

(c) 檢察文書類三三五号、A三、丁字、下山/N S R/  
日檢署、檢証、主提訴人、中、印、少佐、檢舉、據革、證據  
上多處有此。此文書八次、如「遂ベ格心、一九四三年/昭和十八  
年/、神奈川人、友那人、腰劍ヲ刺セ候事。」上云、八禁制  
(脅制)、外洋、大橋同、脅合、打立。事候事、テ年當、沒有二  
種、此等、人等、主犯、主犯、上手死刑、主犯無下心。

(d) 檢察文書類三三五号、監察官、R. K. T. L.  
A三、丁字、N S R/、宣誓書、檢証、主提訴人、印、附、  
證附、主提訴人、證附、主提訴人、此文書、一九四三年/昭和十八年/  
八月廿二日、於不提、中、印、主提訴人、則事、主提訴人、據革、證據、上手死刑、  
腰劍、主犯、證據類、主犯、主犯、口、證據書證、經檢  
上手死刑、腰劍、主犯。